GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:331
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Processing e-Waste
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether inhalation or exposure to acids being used to separate the metals in the electronic products, cause serious health problems while processing e-waste; and

(b) if so, the protective measures the Government has taken/proposed to be taken while dealing with e-waste?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a): Yes.

(b): The e-Waste (Management) Rules, 2016 notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide GSR 338 (E) dated 23.03.2016 envisage health protective measures in processing of e-waste. The said Rules are supported by the Implementation Guidelines issued by the Central Pollution Control Board.